

AMERICAN GYNECOLOGICAL SOCIETY.

Dear Sir :

I have the honor to inform you that at a meeting held in the New York Academy of Medicine on June 3d, 1876, an Association was organized under the name of the AMERICAN GYNECOLOGICAL SOCIETY, for the purpose of promoting knowledge in all that relates to the Diseases of Women and to Obstetrics.

The following gentlemen were by vote constituted founders of the Society, a majority of them having been present:

FORDYCE BARKER,	NEW YORK.
E. R. PEASLEE,	"
T. A. EMMETT,	"
T. G. THOMAS,	"
J. M. SIMS,	"
I. E. TAYLOR,	"
E. NOEGGERATH,	"
W. T. LUSK,	"
P. F. MUNDE,	"
D. H. STORER,	BOSTON.
C. E. BUCKINGHAM,	"
G. H. LYMAN,	"
A. D. SINCLAIR,	"
W. L. RICHARDSON,	"
G. H. BIXBY,	"
J. R. CHADWICK,	"
W. L. ATLEE,	PHILADELPHIA.
W. GOODELL,	"
R. A. F. PENROSE,	"
E. WALLACE,	"
A. H. SMITH,	"
T. M. DRYSDALE,	"
J. V. INGHAM,	"
J. BYRNE,	BROOKLYN.
A. J. C. SKENE,	"

J. T. JOHNSON,	WASHINGTON, D.C.
S. C. BUSEY,	"
H. P. C. WILSON,	BALTIMORE.
W. T. HOWARD,	"
W. H. BYFORD,	CHICAGO, Ill.
E. VAN DE WARKER,	SYRACUSE, N.Y.
J. P. WHITE,	BUFFALO, N.Y.
J. D. TRASK,	ASTORIA, N.Y.
T. PARVIN,	INDIANAPOLIS.
E. W. JENKS,	DETROIT, Mich.
R. BATTEY,	ROME, Ga.
H. F. CAMPBELL,	AUGUSTA, Ga.
J. C. REEVE,	DAYTON, Ohio.
G. J. ENGELMANN,	ST. LOUIS, Mo.
Total, 39 Fellows.	

A Constitution and By-Laws were then adopted, and subsequently the following Officers elected:

President, FORDYCE BARKER,
Vice Presidents, W. L. ATLEE,
W. H. BYFORD.
Secretary, J. R. CHADWICK.
Treasurer, P. F. MUNDE,
Council, J. M. SIMS,
W. GOODELL,
T. PARVIN.
G. H. LYMAN.

Attention is called to the following extracts from the Constitution and By Laws:

"III. *The Fellows shall not exceed sixty in number.*"

"Candidates (for Fellowship), shall be proposed to the Council one month before the first day of meeting, by two fellows, and on recommendation of the Council shall be balloted for at the annual meeting."

"A two-thirds affirmative vote of all the Fellows present, shall constitute an election."

"No one shall be eligible for active Fellowship until he shall have submitted to the Council a paper on some subject connected with gynecological science."

"VI. *The titles of all papers to be read at any Annual Meeting shall be forwarded to the Secretary not later than one month before the first day of the Session.*

No paper shall be read before the Society which has already been printed, or been read before another body.

All papers that may be read before the Society, and accepted for publication, shall become the property of the Society, and their publication shall be under the control of the Council."

For the 1st Annual Meeting the titles of the following papers have already been received and many others are promised:

Annual Address, by THE PRESIDENT.

Incision of the Cervix Uteri, by Dr. T. A. EMMETT. Discussion, by Drs. J. M. SIMS, E. R. PEASLEE and others.

Batley's Operation for Extirpation of the Ovaries, by Dr. R. BATTEY.

A case of Abnormal Menstruation, by Dr. T. PARVIN.

Cases of Cystic Tumors in the Pelvis, by Dr. G. H. BIXBY.

A case of Labor complicated with four large uterine fibroids and Placenta Prævia, by Dr. J. R. CHADWICK.

The Fellows are requested to forward the nominations for Fellowship and the titles of their papers to the Secretary, before August 13th, 1876.

Through the courtesy of Dr. J. S. Billings, in charge of the Library of the Surgeon General's Office, in Washington, each volume of the Transactions of the Society will contain a complete Index of the current gynecological and obstetric literature of the twelve months preceding.

The first annual meeting will be held in New York, on Sept. 13th, 14th, and 15th, 1876.

JAMES R. CHADWICK,

Secretary.

Clarendon St., Boston,

July 4, 1876.

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